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SUBJECT: FACILITATIVE SERVICE REQUEST FOR DR. LEE WOO-CHOO

1. POST REQUESTS DEPT FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE FOR DR. LEE WOO-CHOO, PRESIDENT, YONSEI UNIVERSITY, WHO WILL BE VISITING AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES DURING MAY 16 - JUNE 19. YONSEI UNIVERSITY MAKING TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS AS WELL AS HOTEL RESERVATIONS AND PAYING ALL COSTS. REQUESTED ASSISTANCE THUS INVOLVES NO COST FOR INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR IV GRANT.

2. AT MOST OF HIS STOPS, YONSEI ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS WILL BE HANDLING ARRANGEMENTS. AT BELOW LISTED STOPS, DEPT ASSISTANCE REQUESTED IN MAKING APPOINTMENTS WITH APPROPRIATE INDIVIDUALS. IN EACH CASE, HIS PURPOSE IS TO HAVE GENERAL DISCUSSION OF PROBLEMS OF UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION.

LOS ANGELES MAY 17 U.S.C.(2:00 TO 4:00 P.M. OPEN.
SUGGEST CONTACT DR. GEORGE TOTTEN.)
MAY 18 CLAREMONT COLLEGE (P.M. OPEN)

SAN FRANCISCO MAY 20 UNIV OF CALIF., BERKELEY.
(P.M. PREFERABLE BUT A.M. ALSO OPEN)
MAY 21 STANFORD UNIV. (OPEN UNTIL 4:00 P.M.)

SEATTLE MAY 24 UNIV OF WASHINGTON
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(OPEN UNTIL 1:00 P.M.)

MINNEAPOLIS MAY 25 UNIV OF MINNESOTA
(OPEN UNTIL 5:00 P.M.)

MADISON MAY 27 UNIV OF WISCONSIN, DR. LEE'S ALMA
MATER (OPEN 11:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.)

BOSTON JUNE 3 HARVARD (OPEN UNTIL 5:00 P.M.)

CHICAGO JUNE 14 UNIV OF CHICAGO (OPEN UNTIL 5:00 P.M.)
JUNE 15 NORTHWESTERN (OPEN UNTIL 3:00 P.M.)

ST. LOUIS JUNE 16 WASHINGTON UNIV (YONSEI HAS CLOSE
RELATIONSHIP WITH BUSINESS SCHOOL)
(OPEN UNTIL 3:00 P.M.)

HONOLULU JUNE 18 UNIV OF HAWAII AND EAST WEST
CENTER (OPEN ALL DAY)

3. DR. LEE IS SERIOUSLY INTERESTED IN UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION WITH EMPHASIS ON INTERRELATIONSHIP OF PARTS OF UNIVERSITY TO EACH OTHER, I.E., BETWEEN COLLEGES, GRADUATE SCHOOLS, OTHER SUPPORTING ELEMENTS, ETC. AS DR. LEE ASSUMED HIS PRESIDENCY LESS THAN A YEAR AGO AND WILL BE SERVING FOR SEVERAL MORE YEARS, OBSERVATION OF AMERICAN UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION AT THIS JUNCTURE WILL HELP HIS EFFORTS TO FURTHER UPGRADE AND INNOVATE THIS IMPORTANT INSTITUTION. DR. LEE DOES NOT WANT SPEND ANY MORE TIME THAN NECESSARY ON PROTOCOL CALLS, BUT POST FEELS IT IMPORTANT TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS WITH PRESIDENTS WHENEVER APPROPRIATE. WHENEVER POSSIBLE, UNIVERSITY HOSTED LUNCHEES WOULD NOT ONLY BE APPRECIATED BUT ALSO STRENGTHEN INSTITUTIONAL TIES BETWEEN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND AN IMPORTANT KOREAN UNIVERSITY (PARTICULARLY AT STANFORD, WISCONSIN, AND WASHINGTON U. AT ST. LOUIS). HE HAS ALUMNI DINNERS ARRANGED AT MOST UNIVERSITIES HE IS VISITING. LEE SPEAKS GOOD ENGLISH, INTERPRETER NOT REQUIRED.

4. BIO-DATA: BORN IN KONGJU, KOREA, JUNE 6, 1918, GRADUATED FROM SEVERANCE MEDICAL COLLEGE (PRESENTLY YONSEI UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL) IN 1941; STUDIED AT UNIV OF WISCONSIN,
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DECEMBER 1950-MAY 1952, UNDER SMIOH-MUNDT GRANT, AND MAY 1955-JULY 1958 (ON HIS OWN), RECEIVING PH. D. IN PHARMACOLOGY; ALSO RECEIVED M.D. DEGREE FROM SEOUL NATIONAL UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL IN 1955. BEFORE APPOINTMENT AS YONSEI UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT IN JULY 1975, SPENT MOST OF HIS CAREER AT YONSEI, RISING, SINCE 1941, FROM TEACHING ASSISTANT TO FULL PROFESSOR AND HOLDING SUCH POSTS AS DEAN OF GRADUATE SCHOOL, 1960-64; PROFESSOR OF PHARMACOLOGY AT UNIV. OF WISCONSIN, JULY 1958-

JULY 1959; VISITING PROFESSOR AT UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA,
SEPTEMBER 1968-FEBRUARY 1969.

5. YONSEI UNIVERSITY, FOUNDED IN 1915, IS ONE OF BEST PRIVATE
UNIVERSITQES IN KOREAN AND HAS ENROLLMENT OF ABOUT 10,000
STUDENTS (8,000 UNDERGRADUATE AND 2,000 GRADUATE STUDENTS)
WITH 450 FACULTY MEMBERS INCLUDING MANY AMERICAN PH.D.S. IN
TEN COLLEGES (46 ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS) AND FIVE GRADUATE
SCHOOLS.

6. APPRECIATE KNOWING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF DEPT ABLE
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